## WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3894

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served February 26, 1992

Application of VESTA, INC., for a )	Case No. AP-92-05
Certificate of Authority )	•
Irregular Route Operations )	

By application accepted for filing February 21, 1992, Vesta, Inc. (Vesta or applicant), seeks a Certificate of Authority to transport passengers in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.

Vesta proposes to initiate operations using ten owned vehicles having a manufacturer-designed seating capacity of less than 16 persons each, including the driver. Vesta proposes to provide transportation for its daytime rehabilitation service clients pursuant to a contract with the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Vesta's proposed tariff contains a per capita mileage rate.

Vesta's application includes information regarding, among other things, its corporate status, facilities, vehicle maintenance arrangements, driver training practices, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

In determining whether to grant or deny an application for a Certificate of Authority, the Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7 requires that the Commission determine whether an applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform that transportation properly and conform to the provisions of the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations, and requirements and whether the transportation is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of Vesta's application for a Certificate of Authority.

## THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Vesta, Inc., shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Friday, March 6, 1992.
- 2. That Vesta, Inc., shall file with the Commission, no later than Friday, March 27, 1992, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

- 3. That any person wanting to protest the issuance of a Certificate of Authority to Vesta, Inc., shall do so in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), and any person wanting to comment on this matter, other than by protest, shall do so in writing, in accordance with Regulation No. 54-04(a), by filing such protest or comment at the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Friday, March 27, 1992, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's representative, Jignesh Dalal, Controller, Vesta Inc., 2340 University Boulevard, East, Adelphi, MD 20783.
- 4. That any person seeking a formal oral hearing on this matter shall request one in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b) no later than Friday, March 27, 1992, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's representative, Jignesh Dalal, Controller, Vesta Inc., 2340 University Boulevard, East, Adelphi, MD 20783.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William H. McGilvery Executive Director